



PARKS CIP PROJECT STATUS REPORT

September 2013

Ashwood Park – Temporary use of park & future park plans

The library's 3-level parking structure is open for use and work is nearing completion on the Ashwood Park parking lot and landscaping along NE 12th. Staff met a second time in mid-July with representatives of the Pacific Regent retirement community, who would like to retain Ashwood Park as a green space for downtown, and would like the City to update the current Master Plan for Ashwood Park.

Aquatic Center Impacts/Odle Middle School Reconstruction

We are working with City and School District staffs to minimize the operational impacts to the Bellevue Aquatic Center during the School District's upcoming reconstruction of Odle Middle School. Construction is expected to occur from the end of school, 2014 thru fall of 2016, which will impact the availability of parking. We are discussing construction sequencing and program modifications to minimize disruption and maximize available parking.

Bannerwood Park Synthetic Turf

Over the past three years, Seattle University has used Bannerwood Park as their home baseball field. SU has funded several improvements to the facility during that time, including upgrades to the dugouts, bullpens, grandstands and scoreboard. SU would like to install synthetic turf to extend the use of the facility during the spring, which is their heaviest use period. We are currently discussing this as a potential partnership project, as it could also provide year-round community use. Initial feasibility and design work for the field is underway.

Bellevue Youth Theatre (BYT) Construction

Construction is approximately 20% complete. Excavation is complete, building footings and walls are underway. The sewer line replacement is complete and the new pedestrian link will be completed with handrails and walkway lighting in September. The Audio/Video System is out to bid with a bid award next month. We continue to work with our neighbors to communicate and minimize construction impacts. The theatre is expected to be complete late next summer.

Bellevue Airfield Park – Shared parking & Phase 1 Design

The modification to the shared parking requirement has been signed and staff will seek Council approval of the parking agreement in September and an architecture and engineering agreement in October for the first phase of construction design and permitting.

Cricket Field in Bellevue

We are currently working with representatives of a local cricket club to develop a cricket "pitch" at North Robinswood Park. Cricket is a rapidly growing sport in the United States, though Bellevue does not currently serve this growing segment of our population. We expect to have this installed by the end of September in time for several games yet this year.

Downtown Park/Rotary Playground Expansion

Initial design is complete and environmental permits will now be sought. The Bellevue Rotary Club has already raised approximately \$750,000 toward the project. Because of this, we will seek Council approval for a Phase 1 design contract this fall.

Downtown Park/WW I Monument

No Change. Project is on hold awaiting the completion of fundraising by Robert Shay. Staff is also working with the Eastside Heritage Center to develop interpretive signage for the memorial.

Hidden Valley Sportsfield Improvements with the Boys & Girls Club of Bellevue

An agreement allowing the Boys & Girls Club to construct a gymnasium and to share the cost of completing sportsfield and parking lot improvements at Hidden Valley Park was approved by City Council August 5. BGCB continues project fundraising. A Conditional Use Permit, Critical Area Land Use permit, and Environmental review are complete. Clear & Grade and Building permit review are underway for both the gymnasium and site development in hopes of starting construction in early 2014.

Kelsey Creek Park Review

No Change. The staff is reviewing the current conditions at Kelsey Creek Park to determine if long-term modifications are needed to the existing uses or facilities at that site. Past and current plans, practices and financial information have been reviewed, and meetings with staff have been conducted. More information is being gathered in hopes of developing a long-range strategy for the continued success of this facility.

Meydenbauer Moorage & Pier Removal

Four residential piers have been removed and construction is nearing completion on the renovation of Pier 3 at Meydenbauer Marina to accommodate 14 visitor day moorage slips. The relocation of a sewer main through the park originally expected to be constructed this summer has been delayed to the summer of 2014.

Neighborhood Enhancement Program (NEP) Projects

The Crossroads Park walkway connector to the shopping center is under construction as part of the BYT construction project and will be complete this fall.

Newport Hills/"Tyler Property"

No Change. Staff is working with a park committee of the Newport Hills Community Club (NHCC) to develop a vision and proposed name for the park. We will brief the Park Board when the committee has completed their work and is prepared to make a recommendation.

Park & Natural Areas Levy Projects

An update was provided at the April Park Board meeting, and work is now underway to create a web page to keep the community up to date about progress on the levy projects. A brief update on current and pending Park Levy projects was presented to City Council on August 5.

- **Synthetic Sportsfield at Wilburton Hill Park:** Project complete.
- **Synthetic Sportsfield at Newport Hills Park:** Project complete.
- **Lewis Creek Park Picnic Area:** Project complete.

- **BYT Construction:** Construction approximately 20% complete - see above.
- **Botanical Garden Projects:**
 - **Ravine Garden:** Project complete.
 - **Wetland-Sun Terraced Garden:** Design is complete and Land Use approval has been secured. The project is on-hold pending the availability of funding.
 - **Visitor Center & Parking Lot:** Construction is approximately 40% complete. This month's work includes: 95% of the footings are installed (including the storage basement walls), the steel beam framing has been erected on two buildings, the detention vaults are complete, 75% of the underground utility lines (fire, storm drain, electrical, water) have been installed, the constructed wetland garden is 20% complete, and all tree protection and temporary irrigation is complete.
 - **Fundraising:** Including cash and pledged income, fundraising recently exceeded \$4million of the Garden Society's \$5million goal.
- **Bridle Trails Neighborhood Parks:**
 - **Acheson property & alternative:** We are working with the neighborhood to identify alternative projects in lieu of Acheson.
 - **NE 24th St. Site:** Permitting is nearing completion, with construction expected to begin this fall and last thru early next year. On-line voting is complete, and the name "Bridle Trails Corner Park" will be recommended as the park's name at the September Park Board meeting.
- **Lake Sammamish Neighborhood Park:** No activity.
- **Surrey Downs Park Development:** The final light-rail alignment will eliminate vehicle access to the park from 112th. We met initially with representatives of Surrey Downs, and have begun work to update the Master Plan, with an expected completion by the end of the year.
- **Bellevue Airfield Park Development:** See above.
- **Downtown Park Development:** Staff has selected a consultant to design the next phase of park development, which includes finishing the tree-lined promenade and canal and expanding the 100th Ave. parking lot, and expect to award a design contract in September.

Renovation and Refurbishment - *Work is scheduled to be completed in 2013 on the following:*

- Minor asphalt repairs at Lewis Creek, SE 32Nd Street Park, Chism Beach (**Complete**), Bovee, Newcastle, Meydenbauer Marina, Crossroads North Parking lot, Spiritridge, Robinswood House, Robinswood Teen Barn, Lake Hills, Goldsmith and the Bellevue Aquatic Center. Most work will occur in the summer and fall;
- Larger pavement repairs at Robinswood Park/148th Street parking lot, SE 40th Street Boat Launch drive (**complete**), the Ranger Station, Bellevue Golf Course cart paths, gravel replenishment at the Downtown park circle and trail reconstruction at Washout Way (**complete**). Most work will occur in the summer and fall;
- ADA improvements at the Robinswood Tennis Center entrance (**design underway**) & Eastgate Park ballfield, (scheduled for Fall);
- Bannerwood scoreboard replacement, (**complete**);

- Mechanical System upgrades at the Bellevue Aquatic Center (**project underway**), Bellevue Golf Course (fire alarm), Downtown Park pump vault repair (**complete**), North Bellevue Community Center (**complete**) and Robinswood House (currently bidding);
- Botanical Garden - remodel the Shorts House for temporary staff offices (**complete**) and move the Sharps Cabin (part of the Visitor Center project - **complete**);
- Roofing projects at North Bellevue Community (**underway**) and Chism Beach Park (**complete**);
- Sportsfield Renovation at Eastgate Park & Robinswood Park (Scheduled for Fall);
- Provide day moorage at Meydenbauer Marina, replace the Clyde Beach swim dock, and remove residential docks at Meydenbauer Beach Park (under construction); and repair the Mercer Slough canoe float (permits are pending, bidding complete);
- Repair playground surfacing at Crossroads Park water play (scheduled for Fall), replace play equipment and surfacing at Forest Ridge park (**project complete**), rebuild skate ramps at Highland Park indoor skate park (**project complete**) and resurface the tennis court at Enatai Neighborhood Park (scheduled for Fall);
- Add zip line to challenge course at Eastgate Park (see below),
- Repair the storage shed and out building at Kelsey Creek Park, (tack building design complete. Scheduled for September);
- Install way finding signage at Kelsey Creek Park (**underway**);
- Paint exterior of the Overlake Blueberry Farm building (**complete**);
- Siding repairs at Robinswood House (**project scope being developed**);
- Replace chairs at Ivanhoe Youth Theatre (**complete**);
- Install a mechanical system computer interface to allow communication from a single source to all HVAC systems;
- Contingency Projects: SBCC wall waterproofing (scheduled for August), Downtown Park WWI Memorial interpretive signage (underway), Robinswood Tennis Center carpet replacement (**complete**), Highland Center door repairs (**complete**), Mercer Slough drainage design (complete by end of year), Crossroads Park parking lot & lighting improvements, Bellevue Nursery & Bellefield auto gate installation, Ivanhoe Youth Theater portable building, Robinswood North Cricket pitch installation.

South Bellevue Community Center/Eastgate Park Zipline

Construction is complete on the installation of an aerial zipline tour adjacent to SBCC's existing Challenge Course. It includes 5 ziplines ranging from 100' to 600' in length and two connecting bridges. The tour is expected to be open to the public on a limited basis this fall.